

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) Semiconductor-on-insulator substrate successively comprising a base-(1), a diamond-like carbon layer-(3), a layer made of dielectric material-(4) and a layer made of semi-conducting material-(5) designed to constitute microelectronic elements, the dielectric material-(4) being chosen such that the upper level-(~~E_{di}~~) of the valence band of the dielectric material-(4) is lower than the upper level-(~~E_{ed}~~) of the valence band of the diamond-like carbon-(3) and the semi-conducting material-(5) being chosen such that the upper level-(~~E_{se}~~) of the valence band of the semi-conducting material-(5) is higher than the upper level-(~~E_{ed}~~) of the valence band of the diamond-like carbon-(3), substrate characterized in that it comprises an alumina nucleation layer-(2) disposed between the base (1) and the diamond-like carbon layer-(3).
2. (Currently Amended) Substrate according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the semi-conducting material-(5) is chosen from silicon, germanium and indium antimonide.
3. (Currently Amended) Substrate according to ~~one of the claims 1 and 2,~~ ~~characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the dielectric material-(4) is chosen from alumina (Al_2O_3), hafnium oxide-(~~HfO₂~~) and zirconium oxide-(~~ZrO₂~~).
4. (Currently Amended) Substrate according to claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the dielectric material layer is made of monocrystalline alumina.
5. (Currently Amended) Substrate according to ~~any one of the claims 1 to 4,~~ ~~characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the nucleation layer-(2) is made of monocrystalline alumina.

6. (Currently Amended) Substrate according to ~~any one of the claims 1 to 5,~~
~~characterized in that claim 1, wherein~~ the dielectric material layer-(4) is formed by
superposition of two dielectric layers.

7. (Currently Amended) Method for making a substrate according to ~~any one of~~
~~the claims 1 to 6, characterized in that comprises claim 1, comprising~~ preparation of a first
stack-(11) by:

deposition of the diamond-like carbon layer-(3) on the base-(1), and

deposition of the dielectric material layer-(4) on the diamond-like carbon layer
(3).

8. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 7, ~~characterized in that it~~
~~comprises comprising~~ deposition of the nucleation layer-(2) on the base-(1), before deposition
of the diamond-like carbon layer-(3).

9. (Currently Amended) Method according to ~~one of the claims 7 and 8,~~
~~characterized in that it comprises claim 7, comprising~~ deposition of the semi-conducting
material-(5) designed to constitute microelectronic elements, after deposition of the dielectric
material layer-(4).

10. (Currently Amended) Method according to ~~any one of the claims 7 and 8,~~
~~characterized in that it comprises claim 7, comprising~~ preparation of a second stack-(12) by:

deposition of a first additional dielectric layer-(14) on an additional base-(13),

deposition of the semi-conducting-(5) material designed to constitute
microelectronic elements, on the first additional dielectric layer-(14), and

deposition of a second additional dielectric layer-(15) on the semi-conducting
material-(5), and

after preparation of the first-(11) and second-(12) stacks, assembly of the first
(11)-and second-(12) stacks by molecular bonding of the second additional dielectric layer

(15) and of the dielectric material layer (4), the additional base (13) then being removed by etching.

11. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 10, ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ comprising removal of the first additional dielectric layer (14).

12. (Currently Amended) Method according to ~~one of the claims 7 and 8,~~ claim 7, wherein, a second stack (12) being formed by an additional substrate comprising a thin film (18) of the semi-conducting material (5) designed to constitute microelectronic elements, the thin film (18) being delineated by a buried zone (19) fragilized by implantation, the first (11) and second (12) stacks are assembled by molecular bonding of the thin film (18) and of the dielectric material layer (4), the second stack (12) being dissociated, after bonding, at the level of the fragilized buried zone (19).

13. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 12, ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ comprising thermal oxidation of the thin film (18), before assembly, so as to form a thermal oxide layer (20).